

PROPOSED ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Department of State today announced the establishment of a ~~National Psychological Strategy~~ Board which, under the Secretary of State, will have responsibilities for coordinating informational and psychological strategy to meet situations wherever joint action by more than one agency of the Government is required in this field.

For many months an ~~Interdepartmental Advisory Committee for Foreign Information Operations~~ has been in existence. It has drawn up plans in the overseas information field to cope with various types of emergencies that might possibly arise. Today's move amounts to intensification and augmentation of the activities of that Committee to assure continuous planning and coordination in this field.

Representatives of the Department of Defense, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the ~~National Security Resources Board~~, the NSA, and the Central Intelligence Agency have been recruited to sit as ~~regular~~ members of the Board. The Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs will serve as chairman.

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